## SNCR NO<sub>x</sub>OUT and HERT Processes

Proven solutions for flexible, cost-effective NO<sub>X</sub> reduction

Fuel Tech's urea-based Selective Non-Catalytic Reduction (SNCR) Process is a post-combustion  $NO_X$  reduction method that reduces  $NO_X$  through a controlled injection of an aqueous urea solution into the combustion gas of utilized industrial sources including: fossil-fired units, waste-fired boilers, furnaces, incinerators, or heaters.

Fuel Tech has enhanced the basic SNCR technology by developing chemical injection hardware, widening the applicable temperature range, and applying process control expertise required for commercial applications.

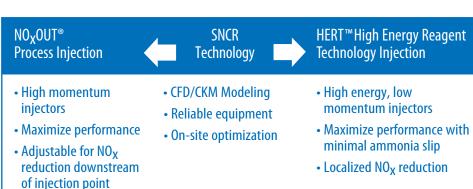
Fuel Tech has two urea-based SNCR technologies: NO<sub>X</sub>OUT® systems, which utilize low energy and air atomized injectors, and HERT™ High Energy Reagent Technology, which utilize mechanically atomized injectors and carrier air for injection into the furnace.

The  $NO_X$ -reducing reaction is temperature sensitive: the optimum temperature range is specific to each application. The reagent needs to be distributed within this optimum temperature zone to obtain the best performance.

The most commonly used reagent consists of a 50% urea solution. This reagent is readily available and requires no special safety precautions for handling.

## **SNCR Processes**

Fuel Tech's SNCR Processes are designed with the aid of Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) and Chemical Kinetic Modeling (CKM) in addition to results from field tests. The CFD model simulates flue gas flows and temperature inside a unit while the CKM calculates the reaction between urea and  $\rm NO_X$  based on temperature and flow information from CFD. The combination of these two models determines the optimum temperature region and the optimum injection strategy to distribute the reagent.





SNCR Injection Process

## 25-50% NO<sub>X</sub> reduction

- Customized solution for each application
- Easy to retrofit little downtime required
- Low capital cost
- Can be combined with other NO<sub>X</sub> reduction technologies
  - 60-70% reduction with
     Combustion Modification
  - Up to 80% reduction as part of Fuel Tech's ASCR™ Advanced SCR process
- Safe reagent



Over 580 APC system installations worldwide on wide range of fuels and combustion units.

- Wall-Fired
- Cyclone-Fired
- Tangentially-Fired
- Stokers
- CFB/BFB Boilers
- Municipal Waste
- Coke Ovens
- Cement Kilns
- CO Boilers

## **Fuels:**

- Coal
- Lignite
- Oil
- Gas
- Sludge
- Wood
- Biomass

Chemical injectors developed by Fuel Tech facilitate the reagent distribution. The  $NO_XOUT^{\circ}$  injection system utilizes air-atomized injectors which direct the urea solution into the combustion gas path. The droplet size distribution and spray coverage promote efficient contact between the chemical and the  $NO_X$  in the flue gas.

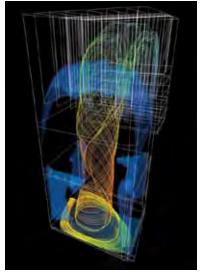
The HERT™ injection system utilizes mechanical atomizers which carry the urea into the furnace using a high energy air stream. Fuel Tech evaluates both for each specific application and offers the best solution for the customer's needs.

Fuel Tech's SNCR Processes provide effective boiler load following capabilities to maximize overall  $NO_X$  reduction.

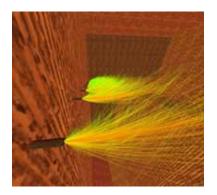
Through computer modeling and proven field experience, an injection strategy is developed that makes use of multilevel injection, control of reagent concentration, droplet size and spray patterns, as well as jet penetration. NO<sub>X</sub>OUT® and HERT™ systems are applicable on various types of units firing many different fuels, which has been verified by years of field-testing. Since SNCR is a post-combustion process, unit size, boiler type and fuel type can be accommodated in the customized process design.



Independent Zone Metering Module



CFD Models of NO<sub>X</sub>OUT® and HERT™ SNCR Processes



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